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This is the fourteenth issue of the Faith and Community-Based Loop. The FCB Loop is a list serve that will send out biweekly email updates with postings of upcoming conferences, information, grants and funding opportunities, trainings, seminars, and workshops that would be of interest to Faith and Community-Based organizations. Please send any upcoming information about conferences, grants and funding opportunities, trainings, seminars, and workshops to louisa.lichtman@servealabama.gov to be published in the FCB Loop.

Conferences

- **Getting Your Grant Written: Line-by-Line**

The Compassion Capital Fund, a program of the National Grant Center Participants will spend a day with We Care America trainers who will take them through the grant writing process line-by-line, teaching them how to craft winning proposals for programming in the following areas of interest: healthy marriage, at-risk youth, homeless and rural service.

May 25, 2006; 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Atlanta, Georgia

Costs \$139

<http://www.nationalgrantcenter.org/ccfminigrantlabs.asp>

- **Georgia Nonprofit Summit 2006**

"The Spirit of the Nonprofit Sector: The Power of You"

The importance of personal and organizational accountability; the role of philanthropy in community; and the importance of engaging younger leaders as baby boomers retire.

June 7, 2006

Gwinnett Convention Center; Duluth, GA

<http://www.gcn.org/Services/Events/GeorgiaNonprofitSummit.aspx>

- **Safe and Sound Children's Conference**
"Keeping Children and Families Safe Through Sound Emergency Practices"
June 27-29, 2006
Sheraton Hotel, Birmingham
<http://138.26.144.80/websites/SCCPHP/default.asp?ID=105>

Trainings, Seminars & Workshops

- **A World of Difference—Making a Difference**
A Seminar on Religion, Politics and Public Integrity
Alabama Arise
Dauphin Way United Methodist Church, Mobile, Alabama
Thursday, June 1, 2006; 8:30am-4:00pm
There will be a \$30 registration fee for lunch and seminar materials
For more information view
http://servealabama.gov/EMAIL_LINKS/Alabama_Arise_Att2.pdf
- **The Alabama Faith-Based and Community Initiative Information Seminar**
Alabama Governor's Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiative
Thursday, June 8, 2006; from 10:00 a.m. until noon on the first floor of the RSA Union Building, Suite 192
For more information view
[Invitation to Information Seminar](#)
- **Do You Want to Help When a Disaster Strikes? Become a Volunteer**
"An Introduction to the Salvation Army Disaster Services"
Saturday, June 17, 2006; 9:00am to 1:00pm
Salvation Army Corps; 114 14th St SW, Decatur, Alabama, 35601
Free
[5x7Flier.pdf](#)

General Information

- **Fight Terrorism, Register for PUSH Now**
Security personnel and public officials go to the PUSH website and click: Obtain Username & Password

PUSH, the *Portal to Uphold a Secure Homeland* system, was funded by the US Department of Homeland Security and developed by the Alabama Criminal Justice Information Center and the Alabama Department of Homeland Security.

<https://pushweb.alacop.gov/>

- **Free Pamphlet Focuses on Program Replication**

The pamphlet Published by Public/Private Ventures: Replicating Social Programs describes the rationale for replicating effective social programs.

http://www.ppv.org/ppv/replication_expansion/replication_expansion.asp

- **“The National Nutrition Safety Net: Tools for Community Food Security”**

USDA’s Food and Nutrition Service

To help program providers, public officials, anti-hunger advocates, coalitions, and individual volunteers overcome barriers to making the nutrition assistance programs available to all of those eligible in their local communities.

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsec/Resources.htm>

- **Neighborhood Revitalization Celebrated**

During NeighborWorks Week, local NeighborWorks organizations mobilize tens of thousands of volunteers, businesspeople, neighbors, and civic leaders in a week of neighborhood change and awareness. Volunteers repair homes, paint and landscape properties, conduct neighborhood tours, and recognize successful partnerships. A number of educational events and training activities will be held across the U.S. during National NeighborWorks Week, June 3-10, 2006.

<http://www.nw.org/network/neighborworksProgs/nww/default.asp>

- **Two Food Stamp Program Outreach Tool Kits**

USDA’s Food and Nutrition Service

➤ Video entitled “Community Hunger Champions: Helping People Eat Right When Money’s Tight”

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/outreach/tool-kits.htm>

➤ The “10 Myths and Facts About Food Stamp Benefits” is now available on-line in Spanish and English

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/outreach/tool-kits.htm>

Grants and Funding Opportunities

***Note: Grants and Funding Opportunities are sorted into categories: Community Development & Housing, Emergency Preparedness & Response;

Education & Arts; Health; Human Services; Substance Abuse/ Mental Health; Youth & Eldercare; Foundations; and Resources.

Community Development & Housing

- **Community Awareness and Outreach Campaign Projects for the Prevention of Family Violence**
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
Anticipated Number of Awards:
5 to 10 awards for \$75,000 per project period
Applications are due June 11, 2006
<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-ACYF-EV-0126.html>
- **Weed and Seed Communities Competitive Program**
U.S. Department of Justice
The Weed and Seed strategy aims to prevent, control, and reduce violent crime, drug abuse, and gang activity.
Notice of Intent must be postmarked by June 29, 2006
<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ccdo/ws/2007guideln.html>
- **Hope VI Main Street Grants**
HUD
The purpose of this program is to provide grants to small communities to assist in the rehabilitation and new construction of affordable housing in conjunction with an existing program to revitalize an historic or traditional central business district or Main Street Area.
Award ceiling is \$500,000
Applications are due July 10, 2006
<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppld=8976&mode=VIEW>
- **Assets for Independence Demonstration Program**
Administration for Children and Families Office of Community Services
This grant awards funds to assist low-income people in becoming economically self-sufficient. Project participants are taught about economic and consumer issues and establish matched savings accounts called Individual Development Accounts (IDA) in order to save for a first home, a business, or higher education.
Up to 60 awards totaling \$18 million
Applications are due July 18, 2006
http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/Amendment2_to_EI0053.html
- **Arson Prevention**
The FM Global Arson Fund supports fire departments and other public agencies throughout the work involved with the fight against arson by

providing seed money to assist the development of arson prevention and control programs.

Applications are accepted throughout the year.

http://www.fmglobal.com/about/facts/arson_grant_program.asp

Emergency Preparedness & Response

- **Grants Program to Assist Congregations of All Faiths Rebuild Their Houses of Worship**

The Bush-Clinton Katrina Fund – Interfaith Grant (BCKF-IG) will provide faith institutions damaged by Hurricane Katrina with funding up to \$35,000 for capital repair and construction of their houses of worship. Up to \$4,000 of the total grant can be used to cover rental costs of a temporary location for the congregation. Up to \$5,000 of the total grant can be allocated as an administrative stipend for the clergy leader to manage the proposed repair and construction project.

Completed applications will be accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis beginning April 10 through July 31, 2006.

<http://www.bushclintonkatrinafund.org/>

- **Cooperative Agreements for Hurricane Katrina-related State-sponsored Youth Suicide Prevention and Early Intervention**

Department of Health & Human Services

2 awards for a total of \$800,000

Applications are due June 1, 2006

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&opId=8782>

- **A Special Fund for Hurricane Katrina Disaster Assistance**

The Arnold P. Gold Foundation is offering grants of up to \$5,000 for service projects in any locale where there is a substantial need for assistance to victims of Hurricane Katrina. Such projects may include direct medical aid to evacuees or non-medical assistance to both victims and those adversely affected by this disaster. Examples might include providing healthcare information to displaced persons in shelters, or counseling assistance to overstressed relief workers, or instituting social and educational programs for small children.

Proposals will be considered on a rolling basis through 2006.

<http://humanism-in-medicine.org/cgi-bin/htnlos.cgi/04202.1.5750774146319301812>

Education & Arts

- **Local Arts Program Supported**

National Endowment for the Arts

The Challenge America: Reaching Every Community Fast-Track Review

Grants category offers support primarily to small and mid-sized organizations

for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability.

Are for \$10,000 each

Applications are due June 1, 2006

<http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/GAP07/ChallengeAmerica.html>

- **Learning in the Arts for Children and Youth**

National Endowment for the Arts

Award ceiling is \$150,000

Applications are due June 12, 2006

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppld=7557&mode=VIEW>

- **Grants for Public School Teachers**

Jordan Fundamentals Grant Program

Grants in the amount of \$2,500 each are given to 400 recipients.

Applications are due June 15, 2006

<http://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page=26&item=jordan>

- **Humanities Initiatives for Faculty at Historically Black Colleges and Universities**

National Endowment for the Humanities

Up to \$30,000 in outright funds for projects serving a single institution;

regional or multi-institutional programs may receive awards of up to \$75,000.

Applications are to be received by June 23, 2006

<http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/hifacultyhbcu.html>

Health

- **Prevention of HIV/AIDS for Native/American Indian and Alaska Native Women Living in Rural and Frontier Indian Country Program**

The Office of Public Health and Science, Office on Women's Health

Three awards of \$160,000 each

Applications are due June 5, 2006

https://egrants.osophs.dhhs.gov/egrants/home_frame.htm

- **Distance Learning & Telemedicine Program**

USDA Rural Development

\$20 million will be awarded to rural communities

Applications must be received by June 12, 2006

<http://www.usda.gov/rus/telecom/dlt/dlt.htm>

- **National Resource Centers on Older Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians**

AoA Center for Wellness and Community Based Services

AoA will fund two cooperative agreements under this competition. Each Center will be funded at a federal share of approximately \$341,995 per year. The deadline date for submission of applications is June 30, 2006.
http://www.aoa.gov/DOINGBUS/fundopp/announcements/2006/Attachment_1325.doc

Human Services

- **Refugee Healthy Marriage Program**
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services: Administration for Children & Families
Priority Level I: One to three awards averaging around \$200,000
Priority Level II: Three to five awards averaging around \$600,000
Priority Level III: Six to ten awards averaging around \$200,000
Applications are due by June 2, 2006.
<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-ORR-ZF-0110.html>
- **Technical Assistance to ORR Funded Refugee Programs and Services to Asylees**
The Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR)
Award amount will vary based on number of applications and availability of funds.
Applications are due June 2, 2006.
<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-ORR-RB-0112.html>
- **Services for Survivors of Torture**
Office of Refugee Resettlement
20 to 25 awards for a totaling \$8.5 million
Applications are due June 6, 2006
<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-ORR-ZT-0107.html>
- **Food Stamp Program Participation Grants**
Funds are available to improve the accessibility and awareness of USDA's Food Stamp Program for low-income households.
Anticipated awarding 6 grants for a total of \$5 million
Applications are due June 7, 2006
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/government/grants/2006-RFA.pdf>
- **Community Awareness and Outreach Campaign Projects for the Prevention of Family Violence**
Administration for Children and Families
5 to 10 awards totaling \$750,000
Applications are due June 11, 2006
<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-ACYF-EV-0126.html>

- VA Grant/Per Diem Program- Capital Grant**

Only programs with supportive housing (up to 24 months) or service centers (offering services such as case management, education, crisis intervention, counseling, etc.) are eligible for these funds. The program has two levels of funding: the Grant Component and the Per Diem Component.

Applications are due June 14, 2006

<http://www1.va.gov/homeless/page.cfm?pg=3>
- Low Income Taxpayer Clinic (LITC)**

The purpose of this program is to support programs informing individuals whom English is a second language about their tax rights and responsibilities. Estimated total program funding: \$6 million

Applications are due by July 7, 2006 by 4:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppld=9378&mode=VIEW>
- Presbyterian Hunger Program**

Grants support efforts in the following five program areas: Direct Food Relief, Development Assistance, Public Policy Advocacy, Hunger Education and Interpretation, and Lifestyle Integrity. The proposed activities should benefit poor people, especially women, racial-ethnic persons, or other disadvantaged groups, and those benefiting should be involved in the planning and implementation of these activities.

Applications are due July 15, 2006

<http://www.pcusa.org/hunger/grants.htm>

Substance Abuse & Mental Health

- Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program**

U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance

All applications are due by 8:00 p.m. eastern time on June 2, 2006.

<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/grant/06MIOsol.pdf>

- **Women's Mental Health in Pregnancy and Postpartum Period**
The National Institutes of Health encourages research on perinatal mood and other mental disorders in four areas: (1) clinical course, epidemiology and risk factors; (2) basic and clinical neuroscience; (3) interventions; and (4) services.
Size and duration of each grant will vary.
Applications are due July 1, 2006
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-376.html>

Youth & Eldercare

- **Teens, Crime, and the Community Initiative**
National Crime Prevention Council
These grants will support service learning projects planned and implemented by youth who identify needs and create projects to address or prevent crime, violence, and drug abuse in their schools and communities. These grants are intended to encourage and promote crime prevention, community service, and civic responsibility.
TCC is currently giving out grants of up to \$500.
Applications are due June 1, 2006
<http://www.ncpc.org/programs/tcc/grant.php>
- **Research & Evaluation on the Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation of Elderly Individuals, Older Women, and Residents of Residential Care Facilities**
National Institute of Justice
Anticipated that up to \$800,000 may become available for awards
Applications are due June 6, 2006
<http://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/sl000746.pdf>
- **Mentoring Children of Prisoners Program**
Family Youth Services Bureau
Up to 55 awards totaling \$9,749,788
Applications are due by June 12, 2006
<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-ACYF-CV-0029.html>
- **A Brighter Future for Children and Youth**
United Methodist Women funds programs for children 5 to 18 years of age in the areas of peacemaking, anti-abuse, and nonviolence. Types of projects funded should have significant involvement of women and youth at the grassroots level; demonstrate the ability to raise additional funds from other sources; provide direct, comprehensive services to young people; promote respect for and appreciation of racial/ethnic diversity; and cultivate spiritual life and values.
Grants are up to \$10,000 for projects

Applications are due July 1, 2006
http://gbgm-umc.org/umw/BFCY/index_eng.cfm

- **Support for Programs Serving Rural Seniors**
Cooperative Development Foundation: Mutual Service Cooperative Fund
The average General Grant awarded typically totals \$20,000 or less; however, General Grants actually awarded have ranged from \$500 to \$100,000. Scholarship grants typically average \$500 to \$1000.
Applications are due July 28, 2006
http://www.cdf.coop/msc_fund/index.htm
- **Baseball Tomorrow Fund**
A joint initiative between Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association to promote the growth of baseball and softball throughout the world by funding programs, fields, coaches' training, and the purchase of uniforms and equipment to encourage and maintain youth participation in the game.
The average grant amount is \$51,000
Letters of Inquiry are accepted throughout the year.
http://mlb.mlb.com/NASApp/mlb/mlb/official_info/community/btf.jsp?content=about
- **Seed Grants for Youth Projects**
The Youth Venture Grant Program provides grants to young people (ages 12 to 20) who have a dream or identify a need in their school or community, develop an idea and then, with a team, launch their own community-minded organizations to address that dream or need. Each venture team must have an Ally - a caring adult who advises the team.
Grants of up to \$1,000 are provided to help launch the organization.
Applications are accepted throughout the year.
<http://www.youthventure.org/index.php?tg=articles&topics=43&new=0&newc=0>

Foundations

- **Avon Foundation**
Offers Support for Local and Regional Domestic Violence Organizations.
The foundation brings the mission to improve the lives of women through two key areas of focus: breast cancer and domestic violence.
Grant amounts range from \$1,000 to \$25,000, depending on size, scope, and impact of the program proposed, though most grants will be in the \$1,000 to \$10,000 range.
The proposal deadline date is August 1, 2006.
<http://www.avoncompany.com/women/>

- **Alabama Power Foundation**

To improve the quality of life of Alabamians and to strengthen the communities in which they live.

Grant requests for \$50,000 or more are considered quarterly (March, June, September and December) by the board of the foundation. Requests for more than \$10,000 and less than \$50,000 are considered monthly by a grant review committee. Grant requests for less than \$10,000 are reviewed weekly.

<http://www.southernco.com/alpower/foundation/guidelines.asp>

- **Allstate Foundation “Community Commitment”**

Proposals for program support must address needs within one of the three focus areas to be considered for funding: Safe and vital communities; Economic empowerment; and Tolerance, Inclusion and Diversity.

The Foundation has no deadlines for submission.

<http://www.allstate.com/Community/PageRender.asp?Page=funding.html>

- **The Disability Funders Network (DFN) Rapid Response Fund**

To help nonprofit organizations meet the immediate and long-term needs of people with disabilities in the Gulf region as a result of hurricanes, storms and other severe weather conditions.

Grants will continue to be awarded until funds are depleted. The maximum amount of any one grant is \$5,000. Multiple requests from a single organization are not encouraged.

<http://www.disabilityfunders.org/kat-rrf.html>

- **Jane K. Lowe Charitable Foundation**

Requests from organizations operating outside Madison County, Alabama, will usually not be considered.

Three grants which will have a significant and lasting impact on the organization and the community will be awarded \$100,000 each; Four grants that are strategically important to the organization's growth and capability and will enable the organization to more effectively address important community needs grants will be awarded \$50,000 each; and Ten grants which will significantly promote programs, projects, or operations of the requesting organization will be awarded \$20,350 each.

Grant applications should be submitted by June 1, 2006

<http://www.lowefoundation.org/>

- **The J. L. Bedsole Foundation**

Grants for hospitals, schools, universities, colleges and research institutions; welfare agencies, such as orphanages and institutions for the care of the aged, the crippled, the blind, the sick or the needy; health institutions, boys' and girls' health camps, playgrounds, and other human beneficent agencies and institutions; and the advancement of human knowledge and the alleviation of human suffering.

Continually reviews its programs to insure effective use of its resources for the citizens of Mobile, Baldwin, Clarke, Monroe and Washington Counties
<http://www.ilbedsolefoundation.org/default.asp?ID=2>

- **MDU Resources Foundation**

The Foundation's primary areas of interest include: health and human services; education, including private secondary and higher education institutions; civic and community activities; culture and the arts; and the environment, including projects that promote the wise use of resources. Applications are accepted throughout the year.

http://www.mdu.com/the_vision/vision_foundation.htm

- **Norman Foundation**

The Foundation's specific areas of interest include civil rights, environmental justice, and economic justice.

The remaining deadlines for 2006 are July 14 for civil rights requests and November 15 for environmental justice requests.

<http://www.normanfdn.org/>

- **Office Depot Community Relations Program**

The Office Depot Community Relations Program's mission is to support local nonprofit organizations in company communities in the U.S. that directly impact the health, education, and welfare of children.

<http://www.community.officedepot.com/local.asp>

- **Radio Shack StreetSenz Community Grant Program**

To strengthening the American way of life by helping families protect their children from abduction, violence, and abuse.

Grants up to \$500

Applications must be postmarked by June 15, 2006

<http://www.radioshackcorporation.com/cc/contributions.html>

- **RGK Foundation**

The Foundation's primary interests in the education category include programs that focus on K-12 education, integrating technology into curriculum, teacher development, and higher education. The Foundation's current interests in the area of health include programs that promote the health of children and promote access to health services. In the area of community, the Foundation supports a broad range of human services programs.

Letters of inquiry may be submitted at any time.

<http://www.rgkfoundation.org/>

- **The Ralph and Eileen Swett Foundation**

Foundation supports nonprofit organizations in the U.S. that strive to make a positive difference in the lives of individuals and whose programs do not

conflict with Christian morals and beliefs. The Foundation has identified the assistance of orphaned children, including the promotion of their adoption, and intervention in the lives of troubled youths, as two primary areas of interest.

Letters of inquiry may be submitted at any time.

<http://www.swettfoundation.org/>

- **Stonyfield Farm's Profits for the Planet Program**

Donates 10% of the company's profits annually to nonprofit organizations in order to enhance efforts that help protect or restore the environment.

Requests for funding may be submitted at any time.

<http://www.stonyfield.com/AboutUs/ProfitsForThePlanetProgram.cfm>

- **The Southern Partners Fund**

The Southern Partners Fund serves southeastern communities and organizations seeking social, economic, and environmental justice by providing them with financial resources, technical assistance and training, and access to systems of information and power.

The application deadline is August 1, 2006

<http://www.spfund.org/programs.htm>

Resources

- **Grant Writing Tools for Non-Profit Organizations**

Non-profit guides are free web-based grant-writing tools for non-profit organizations, charitable, educational, public organizations, and other community-minded groups.

<http://www.npguides.org/index.html>

- **Grantproposal.com**

A site devoted to providing free resources for both advanced grant writing consultants and inexperienced nonprofit staff.

<http://grantproposal.com/>

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